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TO: WIC Regional Directors

WIC Local Agency Directors

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SUBJECT: Survey on the Primary Prevention of Violence Against Women

The Texas WIC Program is collaborating with the TDH Bureau of Women's Health (BWH) on a grant from the Center for Disease Control to study the status of primary prevention of violence against women in Texas. In this study, primary prevention refers to efforts that prevent violence in the first place, as opposed to efforts to intervene or stop violence from recurring. To assist BWH with this study, we are asking each WIC Director to complete the survey at the Web address below. Simply click on the address and you will go straight to the survey. This survey will assist staff in BWH in identifying gaps and needs to address this critical problem.

This survey should only take about 10 to 15 minutes to complete, and only one survey should be completed per agency. If you have trouble completing this survey online, contact Paula Kanter, Clinical Nutrition Specialist, at 512.458.7111, extension 3528 or by e-mail at paula.kanter@tdh.state.tx.us and she will send you a printed copy.

Your answers to this survey are completely confidential and will be released only as summaries where no individual's answers can be identified. Whether you complete the survey in its electronic or print version, your name will not be connected to your answers in any way. This survey is voluntary.

Thank you in advance for your help with this important project. If you have any questions regarding the survey, contact Paula Kanter.

The following is the link to the survey:

http://tigerlily.tdh.state.tx.us/women/vawsurvey/